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## INDEPENDENCE DAY FOR CUBA

Government to be Placed in Hands of the Cubans May 20.

### AMERICANS WILL EVACUATE

President Palma to be Inaugurated on the Same Day.—Cuban Congress Convenes May 10.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—May 20, is the new date fixed for turning over the island of Cuba to its people. The change of date was made with approval of President-Elect Palma and his advisers, Senors Tamaya and Quesada.

Secretary Root this evening made public his order to General Wood directing him to turn over the government and control of Cuba to its people on May 20 next.

This date should be a memorable one in Cuban history, for it will not only mark the acquisition of full independence, but will be the Cuban inauguration day, it having been determined that President Palma shall be inaugurated on the same day that American control of the island ceases. The order requires the Cuban government to assume all treaty obligations and directs Wood to continue his military force, to avoid leaving the island entirely defenseless until the Cuban government shall have opportunity to organize its own forces. Wood is also directed to convene Cuban congress May 10, in order that the body might employ the 10 days following that date in supplying any legislation necessary to the assumption of full powers in the island. He also directed him to consult with President Palma and substitute such persons as he shall desire for those now holding official position in Cuba. The order says:

"You are authorized to provide for the inauguration on the 20th of May next of the officers already elected by the people of Cuba and upon the establishment of said government to leave the government and control of the island of Cuba to its people, pursuant to provisions of the act of congress approved March 2, 1902."

Then follows in detail instructions to Wood as to the transfer of authority to the Cuban government.

General Wood and all staff officers on duty in Cuba are ordered to report to the adjutant general at Washington for instructions as to the future assignment. It is stated at the war department today that nothing has yet been settled with regard to the future station of General Wood.

Wood will leave here tomorrow for Havana to carry into execution plans for the transfer of the government. It is understood President-Elect Palma will not go to Havana until the early part of May.

### BOER PRISONERS ABROAD.

Comfortable in Bermuda, but Wretched in Ceylon.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Frederick Taylor, of this city, fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and of the Folklore Society, who arrived on the North America, studied the condition of the Boer prisoners in Bermuda and Ceylon.

"Were one-third of the laboring classes in New York City as well provided for and as well looked after as the prisoners in Bermuda," he said, "they ought to be happy."

Conditions in Ceylon were not so good. "I found 800 prisoners near the town of Mount Levenia," he said, "in a frame building rudely put together and filled with cots. There is no shade for them, though the encampment faces the sea and the glass stands at 86. There are old men of 65 and young men of 19. Most of them

have fever, and are homesick of course. They are closely watched both by the soldiers and by the natives, who have the cunning of sleuths. Seven or eight miles inland are more prisoners, some of them Americans. Only one from this camp has escaped—a Russian."

### ENDOWMENT NEARLY COMPLETE

NEW YORK, March 25.—An offer of \$10000 has been made to Barnard College by William Siegler, of Philadelphia, toward the \$400,000 fund now being raised. John D. Rockefeller offered sometime ago to give the college \$200,000, providing that a similar sum should be raised by the institution. Only the sum of \$19,000 remains now unsubscribed to complete the college's share of the endowment.

### METEOR TO SAIL

NEW YORK, March 25.—It is likely Emperor William's new yacht Meteor will be given its trial run on Thursday. If this can be arranged the boat will be ready to cross the ocean by the end of this week.

### DROWNED HIMSELF.

ASHLAND, Ore., March 25.—J. R. Garrett, a carpenter, committed suicide yesterday by drowning in Bear Creek. The cause of the act is supposed to have been despondency.

## HELENA POLICE RESIGN

ORDERED BY MAYOR TO FORCE PRIMARIES.

But May Have Been Bribe By Opposition to Mayor's Candidacy.

HELENA, Mont., March 25.—The entire police force of the city last night quit their jobs as a result of orders received by the officers from Mayor Frank Edwards, given with the Republican primaries which are to be held in this city Thursday. Edwards is a candidate for re-election and will go before the Republican city convention, to be held Friday night, and ask for the nomination. A strong faction of the party is endeavoring to secure the nomination of Dr. William Tracy and already the fight between the two factions has grown exceedingly bitter. The policemen assert that they were personally instructed by the mayor to attend the primaries and to arrest all anti-Edwards Republicans.

The men favorable to Edwards were to vote a colored ticket and those not having this ticket were to be taken in and locked up until after the primaries were over. After holding a consultation, the men decided that it would be better to quit now and avoid further trouble with the mayor. Accordingly they handed in their resignations last night, the members of the night force offering to remain on duty until morning.

Great excitement prevails as a result of this action and the friends of the mayor have advanced charges of bribery. Some of the men who quit tonight have been on the force for 14 years.

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## UNITED STATES AN EXAMPLE

Cuban President Elect Pays Choice Tribute to Benefactors.

### HAVE SHOWN GOOD FAITH

Fulfilled Duty to Mankind and Shown Spirit of Good Will to Be Emulated.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—President-Elect Tomas Estrada Palma of Cuba, left this city at midnight for New York, where he will remain until the last of April, when he will leave for Cuba.

General Palma paid this tribute to the United States government:

"The government of the United States has shown a most beautiful example of good faith in dealing with the weak government which it undertook to rescue from oppression. It has demonstrated its generosity and patriotism, and by the shedding of its own blood has helped Cuba to break the chain which united it with Spain. The United States has given to the world an evidence of good will seldom found. The people of the United States have remembered their own declaration of independence and have fulfilled their duty to mankind."

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Considerable time was taken up by the cabinet today in reading the instructions given Governor General Wood for the withdrawal of United States sovereignty in Cuba. This government is anxious to maintain a million dollar drydock at Havana, to establish and maintain one or two naval stations, to continue a system of weather stations and other important meteorological work, but these details are matters subject to negotiations and discussion between this government and Cuban representatives. The postal service is one important branch whose transition into absolute control of Cubans will occasion no difficulty.

There was only passing reference to the recent Miles' incident at the cabinet meeting, and a disposition was manifested to ignore the case for the present.

### CECIL RHODES SINKING.

CAPE TOWN, March 25.—Cecil Rhodes experienced a bad heart attack yesterday afternoon. At midnight he was weaker than at any time during his illness.

### GOLCONDA SOLD.

BAKER CITY, March 25.—The Golconda mine, seven miles west of Sumpster was sold today for \$250,000 cash. The mine was owned by John G. and John T. English, of Danville, Ill. The purchasers are capitalists and business men of Pendleton, Ore. This is the largest single cash mining deal ever recorded in Eastern Oregon.

### WAS WITH MARSHALL.

SALT LAKE, March 25.—James S. Brown, who was with Joseph W. Marshall, when the first discovery of gold was made in California in 1848, died today, aged 73 years. Brown was a member of the "Seventies" and a patriarch of the Mormon church. He left 21 children and had 26 grand children.

### JAPANESE PARTY

On Trip Around the World to Study Economic Conditions.

SEATTLE, March 25.—Count Matsukata, ex-premier of Japan and a member of the advisory board to the emperor, arrived here today with a distinguished party of Japanese, on a trip around the world to study economic conditions. Speaking of relations be-

tween America and Japan, Count Matsukata said:

"The Japanese fully realize that it is to their best interests to foster the amicable relations existing with the United States. This will not be a question, for the United States has immense interests in the Far East, not only in Japan but in regions where friendship of Japan will be of great value."

### ROYAL ARCANUM.

SEATTLE, March 25.—Members of the Royal Arcanum of Washington met today and organized a grand council of that body. The order has over a thousand members in the state.

### LYNCHING IN COLORADO.

PUEBLO, Col., March 25.—A special to the Chief from Lajunta says: W. H. Wallace, a negro sleeping car porter, was lynched tonight on the courthouse square by a mob of 4000 people. Wallace brutally assaulted an aged woman at Lajunta last night.

### GENERAL MANAGER COOPER.

TACOMA, March 25.—The Ledger tomorrow will say:

W. G. Pearce, general manager of the Northern Pacific railroad, has resigned and will be succeeded by Thomas Cooper, now assistant president, with headquarters at Tacoma.

## FOR MERCHANT MARINE

GERMAN EMPEROR ENCOURAGES IT.

Will Endeavor to Get Ahead of New Plans of United States for Steamship Lines.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Messrs. Ballin, Wiegand and Plate, the kings of the German Trans-Atlantic lines with their new decorations fresh upon them, are once again in Berlin, cables the correspondent of the Herald.

These gentlemen are just now constantly in demand at Potsdam. They are the men of the moment and are exceedingly busy. The American danger has been brought before their eyes in the fullest light. They have been asked to put their heads together so as to arrange for the future success and paramount supremacy of Germany's mercantile interests in the shipping world, especially in the Far East and the trans-Atlantic trades. The emperor, who has taken the most vivid interest in his mercantile navy and who has shared the general alarm of sometime back that United States financiers were about to absorb the majority of the stock of the German steamship companies has now decided that the German ship owners must come together and must raise more capital at home and on no account in the United States and must build. Money is being raised. Fresh plans for new ships are being drawn, new routes are being considered and should all go well the German lines will have a firmer hold than ever by the time the United States realizes her mercantile marine subvention ideas.

## FAVORABLE REPORT ON EXCLUSION BILL

Bill to Provide Form of Civil Government for the Philippines.

### GENERAL E. S. OTIS RETIRED

Representative Rea of Kentucky Unseated by a Majority of Ten.—McKenzie of Mass. Seated.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The house committee on affairs today completed the consideration of the Chinese exclusion bill and ordered it favorably reported to the house. The measure comes from the committee with quite a number of changes. Exclusion of Chinese laborers is made complete, both as to mainland territory of the United States and all insular possessions, including the Philippines and Hawaii.

### BILL FOR PHILIPPINES.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Republican members of the house committee on insular affairs are rapidly perfecting a bill providing a civil form of government for the Philippines. In the main the measure as perfected follows that favored by Judge Taft.

In its present form the bill provides for the institution of civil government in the Philippines when the commission shall certify to the president that a state of permanent peace has been secured. Thereafter the census is to be taken and the islands divided into districts. A legislative assembly is created, consisting of two houses. The upper house is to some extent a continuance of the Philippine commission. The lower house of the Philippine assembly is to be elected by the people.

### REPRESENTATIVE RHEA OUSTED

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The house today, by a majority of ten, unseated Rhea, of Kentucky, Democrat, and seated in his place J. McKenzie Moss, who was formerly a Democrat but who, according to his brief, is in accord with the Republican party on dominant issues. The Republican majority in the house is 42. While only two Republicans Hanbury and Vreeland, of New York, voted with the Democrats, enough Republicans declined to vote to reduce the majority to ten. The conclusion of the debate on the case was rather spirited. Rhea making an eloquent defense of his right to a seat. After the vote the house began consideration of the army appropriation bill.

### GENERAL OTIS RETIRED.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Major General Otis closed his active career in the army today by reason of age, and will go into retirement. He will be succeeded in the command of the department of the Lakes by Major General MacArthur.

## SOMETHING NEW!

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